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**Introduced by Senator Cedillo**February 21, 2003

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An act to amend Section 69998 of the Education Code, relating to scholarships.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 687, as introduced, Cedillo. Scholarships: Governor's Scholarship Programs.

Existing law establishes the Governor's Scholars Programs under the administration of the Scholarshare Investment Board, which was established pursuant to the Golden State Scholarshare Trust Act. One of the Governor's Scholars Programs is known as the Governor's Distinguished Mathematics and Science Scholars Program, under which a pupil may receive a scholarship for demonstrating specified high academic achievement in mathematics and the sciences. Among other things, the Governor's Distinguished Mathematics and Science Scholars Program requires that a pupil earn an award under the Governor's Scholars Program to be eligible.

This bill would revise the provision establishing the Governor's Distinguished Mathematics and Science Scholars Program by making various technical and conforming changes.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 69998 of the Education Code is  
2 amended to read:



69998. (a) The Governor's Distinguished Mathematics and Science Scholars Program is hereby established. This program shall provide a scholarship of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) for public high school pupils who demonstrate specified high academic achievement in mathematics and the sciences. Pupils receiving a scholarship pursuant to this section shall be known as "Governor's Mathematics and Science Scholars."

(b) In addition to the criteria specified in subdivision (d) of Section 69995, a pupil shall satisfy the following to be eligible to receive a scholarship pursuant to this section:

(1) Earn an award pursuant to the program authorized by Section 69997.

(2) Take an advanced placement calculus examination offered by the college board.

(3) Take any one of the advanced placement biology, chemistry, or physics examinations offered by the college board.

~~(c) If the provisions of subdivision (d) apply, then paragraphs (2) and (3) of subdivision (b) shall be effective only as specified in subdivision (d).~~

~~(d) (1) If the pupil's school offers an advanced placement course in a subject identified in subdivision (b), only the advanced placement examination in that subject shall be allowed for the purposes of determining eligibility for an award pursuant to this section. If a pupil's school does not offer an advanced placement course in a subject identified in subdivision (b), he or she may take instead the Golden State Examination, as authorized by Article 5 (commencing with Section 60650) of Chapter 5 of Part 33, in that subject in order to be eligible to receive a scholarship pursuant to this section. Should there appear to be a conflict between this subdivision and any other subdivision related to this program, this subdivision shall be controlling.~~

~~(2) For the science test, the Golden State Examination in second-year coordinated science may be used in place of any other Golden State Examination in science for the purposes of this subdivision.~~

~~(3) For the mathematics test, only the High School Mathematics Golden State Examination may be used for the purposes of this subdivision.~~

(e) Eligible pupils shall earn a scholarship pursuant to this section by satisfying all both of the following requirements:

(1) Attaining a score of five, on the advanced placement calculus AB examination, or attaining a score of four or five on the higher-level advanced placement calculus BC examination.

(2) Attaining a score of five on any one of the advanced placement biology, chemistry, or physics B examinations, or attaining a score of four or five on both of the advanced placement physics C (mechanics or electricity and magnetism) examinations.

~~(3) If a pupil is eligible for an award pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (b), he or she must attain a score of six on the appropriate Golden State Examination, as described in subdivision (d).~~

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(d) As an alternative to the examination requirements set forth in subdivisions (b); *and* (c), ~~(d), and (e)~~, a pupil may be eligible to receive a scholarship pursuant to this section for performance in science and mathematics examinations that are part of the International Baccalaureate Program. The State Board of Education shall review and designate those International Baccalaureate examinations that are equivalent to the advanced placement tests or Golden State Examinations for which pupils may receive scholarships pursuant to this section. The State Board of Education shall also designate the score on International Baccalaureate examinations that is equivalent to the score required on advanced placement tests or Golden State Examinations in order to receive a scholarship.

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(e) The State Board of Education may modify this list of examinations as necessary to reflect additions and deletions to the series of examinations offered by the college board for advanced placement courses. The State Board of Education may also determine the relative rigor of any new examinations added to the list and whether those examinations should require a score of four or five if the added examinations and qualifying scores reflect at least the same level of rigor as the advanced placement examinations specified in this section.

~~(h) Test scores earned before receiving an award pursuant to the program authorized by Section 69997 may be used to satisfy the requirements of subdivision (d), even if these scores are earned before January 1, 2000.~~

1 (f) A pupil may not claim an award pursuant to this section until  
2 the pupil has earned and successfully claimed an award pursuant  
3 to the program authorized by Section 69997.

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5 (g) A pupil may receive a maximum of one award pursuant to  
6 the program established by this section.

7 ~~(j) Subdivisions (c) and (d) and paragraph (4) of subdivision~~  
8 ~~(b), subdivision (c), and paragraph (3) of subdivision (c) shall~~  
9 ~~become inoperative, and are repealed as of December 31, 2001.~~

